

Microsoft Settlement Cy Pres Program ICN session April 2009

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Agenda

- Update on Status of notification letters
- Schools closed, district dissolved or consolidated.
- Application
- Basic guiding principles
- End of year evaluation
- Budget and signed Assurances
- Questions

Update on Status of notification letters

- Volume license notification letters – 97% out. All should be out by the middle of April. This does not include AEAs. They were separated out and dealt with differently because of their purchases for schools.
- Product eligibility list and ineligibility list
- Remember this is a voucher program. If you purchase an ineligible or non-listed product or service and your claim is denied your district is stuck with the expenditure.
- Estimate of the earliest that we will know the budget for the Cy Pres program is July 1, 2009.

Schools closed, district dissolved or consolidated

- New district or districts – notify John O’Connell via email of the number of students that they picked up for the old district. E.g. Red horse district with 100 students closed. District A picked up 60 of those students in building 1. District B picked up 40 students in Building 2.
- The email should contain the name of the old district and state id number and name(s) of old building/id number. Name of the new district and state id number and name(s) of new building/id number.

Schools closed, district dissolved or consolidated continued

- Same applies for building(s) closed within a district.
- The administrative group for the MS settlement will approve this notification and the vouchers for the new building will reflect this increase enrollment.
- This does not include open enrolled students.

Application

- All districts must apply for eligible buildings starting April 15 – May 15, 2009
- Application will be on the following web site www.edinfo.state.ia.us
- You will have an opportunity to apply for a 360 day extension at this time. This will give you until May 11, 2010 to submit an application.

Application - Basic guiding principles

- Must be linked to implementation of the Iowa Core Curriculum in one area.
- Should be linked to one focus area e.g. mathematics (exceptions builds receiving more than \$50,000 (Total GPV.SPV) may choose additional areas in increments of \$50,000 e.g. a building receiving \$75,000 may do two areas, buildings receiving \$200,000 could do up to four areas.
- Three basic questions with a limit of 2000 characters including spaces

Evaluation

- **End of year evaluation**
- done in focus area. Can be either a norm referenced test or criterion referenced. Testing can be done in the spring or mid-year (limits ability to judge impact of intervention). E.g. Focus in 8th grade mathematics could use the ITBS. High school algebra could use Iowa end of Course Examination (IECE)

Evaluation continued

- Evaluation elements consist of the following
- Teacher(s) in focus area participation in monthly survey 8 questions
- Principal data from walk-throughs
- Student test data from “tests” administered in the spring of the year for each focus area

Additional documents

- Budget filled out on-line and signed Assurances for each building submitting an application must be mailed after on-line application has been submitted
- Budget lasts until August 15, 2013. You need to establish a four year budget – Recommend you examine other sources of funding as you develop your overall budget to support program.
- 50/50 split between general purpose vouchers and software purpose vouchers

Additional Documents continued

- High Schools funded at 1.2 MS/elementary funded at .9 based on amount of money available to program. E.g. if (THIS IS FOR DEMOSTRAION PUPOSES ONLY) there was approximately \$45 million. This would mean approximately \$140 per student with the multipliers this would



Questions?

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- www.iowaschoolmicrosoftsettlement.com
- Iowa Department of Education look under A-Z program index Look for M and Microsoft Settlement.
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